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SUMMER 2006 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Habeas Corpus Resource Center (HCRC), a judicial branch agency located in San Francisco, provides an exciting opportunity for law students interested in indigent capital defense litigation. The HCRC provides direct representation to death row inmates in post-conviction proceedings in state and federal courts and serves as a resource to private appointed counsel in capital post-conviction proceedings. Additional information about the HCRC can be found on our website at www.hcrc.ca.gov.

POSITION AND QUALIFICATIONS

The HCRC prefers applicants who have completed their second year in law school and have taken evidence and criminal procedure; however, applicants who have only completed their first year in law school and/or who have not taken the above courses will be considered. Legal interns will assist attorneys, investigators and paralegals in the representation of death row inmates in post-conviction proceedings. Interns work on a variety of projects that fall into three general areas: (1) legal research and writing, including the drafting of claims and pleadings; (2) non-legal research; (3) and factual development of legal claims. Knowledge of substantive and procedural legal principles of criminal and constitutional law, California statutory and case law, provisions of the United States and California Constitutions, and the rules of evidence and conduct of proceedings in California courts is preferred but not required.

We expect that a limited number of paid and unpaid positions will be available for the summer of 2006.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINE

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, short legal writing sample, and a list of at least two references to the attention of the Legal Intern Selection Committee at the address printed above. Qualified candidates whose backgrounds best meet the needs of the HCRC will be invited to interview. Consideration of applications and scheduling of interviews will begin this winter. **For earliest consideration, please apply by January 16, 2006.**

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